Engaging Makers in a Zoom Environment

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Hi! I’m Tiffany

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What I do:

- Plan Makerspace workshops
- Promote Makerspace workshops
- Collect data for Innovation spaces (including Makerspaces)
Our Spaces

Health Sciences Makerspace

Walter Library Breakerspace
Workshop Goals

01 Community
We want everyone to feel welcome and valued in our spaces.

02 Ownership
We want our users to drive what we provide, based on their interests.

03 Engagement
We don’t want to talk “at” students, we want them to feel engaged.

04 Collaboration
We want everyone to learn, fail, and grow together.
So how do you pivot such a space-based philosophy to online workshops?
Adapting to Online Workshops

**Community**
Open online workshops with introductions in the chat, along with a prompt to get conversation going.

**Ownership**
Provide students the chance to share what they know and provide feedback for us.

**Collaboration**
Building work time into online workshops allows everyone to share their methods and solutions.

**Engagement**
Share “take and make” kits to provide everyone with the tools they need to engage with the content.
Workshop Examples

- Bullet Journaling
  (mini journal: dot grid paper in a card stock cover)

- Calligraphy for Beginners
  (lined handwriting paper, 2-3 brush markers)

- Valentine Making
  (card stock, envelope, stickers, washi tape, paper lace)
What about the tech side?

3D Print Design

Podcasting

Intro to Linux
**Workshop Structure**

**Before the workshop:**
- Share a zoom link
- Share location of take and make kits

**Starting the workshop:**
- Introduce yourself
- Intro & discussion prompt

**During the workshop:**
- Teach content
- Allow time for questions
- Work time together

**After the workshop:**
- Share links to content
- Share contact info for questions or sharing creations
Gooseneck Phone Mount

Hovercam Solo 8 Plus
For online workshop success...

Workshop

Hands-On
- Provide hands on materials for attendees to experience content.

Community
- Connect patrons to others with same interests.

Ownership
- Allow users to provide feedback to inform future workshops.
Q&A

What questions do you have?

Do you have stories from your library you’d like to share or discuss?
Thank you!

To continue the discussion or ask any further questions, please reach out at:

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